

TENNESSEE COURT OF WORKERS' COMPENSATION CLAIMS

Boggs, George v. Swift Transportation

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SUMMARY

This document identifies a Tennessee workers' compensation matter involving George Boggs and Swift Transportation. The provided text consists of instructions regarding appeals from an order of the Court of Workers' Compensation Claims, including deadlines, filing fees or indigency affidavits, preparation of the appellate record, and record transmission to the Workers' Compensation Appeals Board.

CASE DETAILS

COURT	Tennessee Court of Workers' Compensation Claims
JURISDICTION	Tennessee
DECIDED	May 7, 2026
DOCKET	2025-30-0581
PROCEDURAL POSTURE	The document provides instructions for appealing a Court of Workers' Compensation Claims order to the Workers' Compensation Appeals Board.
PRECEDENTIAL VALUE	Published

TOPICS

- appellate procedure
- interlocutory appeal
- workers compensation

PRACTICE AREAS

- workers compensation
- appellate procedure

QUESTIONS PRESENTED

1. What procedural requirements govern an appeal from a Tennessee Court of Workers' Compensation Claims order to the Workers' Compensation Appeals Board?

KEY QUOTATIONS

“Failure to timely pay the filing fee or file the Affidavit of Indigency will result in dismissal of your appeal.”

“If neither party timely files an appeal with the Appeals Board, the Court Order becomes enforceable.”

PROCEDURAL HISTORY

The document does not describe the underlying claim or prior proceedings. It explains the deadlines, filing-fee requirements, record-preparation process, and consequences of failing to timely appeal.

OPINION

PER CURIAM.

Right to Appeal: If you disagree with the Court’s Order, you may appeal to the Workers’ Compensation Appeals Board. To do so, you must: 1. Complete the enclosed form entitled “Notice of Appeal” and file it with the Clerk of the Court of Workers’ Compensation Claims before the expiration of the deadline. ^¾ If the order being appealed is “expedited” (also called “interlocutory”), or if the order does not dispose of the case in its entirety, the notice of appeal must be filed within seven (7) business days of the date the order was filed. ^¾ If the order being appealed is a “Compensation Order,” or if it resolves all issues in the case, the notice of appeal must be filed within thirty (30) calendar days of the date the Compensation Order was filed.

When filing the Notice of Appeal, you must serve a copy on the opposing party (or attorney, if represented). 2. You must pay, via check, money order, or credit card, a \$75.00 filing fee within ten calendar days after filing the Notice of Appeal. Payments can be made in-person at any Bureau office or by U.S. mail, hand-delivery, or other delivery service.

In the alternative, you may file an Affidavit of Indigency (form available on the Bureau’s website or any Bureau office) seeking a waiver of the filing fee. You must file the fully-completed Affidavit of Indigency within ten calendar days of filing the Notice of Appeal. Failure to timely pay the filing fee or file the Affidavit of Indigency will result in dismissal of your appeal.

3. You are responsible for ensuring a complete record is presented on appeal. If no court reporter was present at the hearing, you may request from the Court Clerk the audio recording of the hearing for a \$25.00 fee. If you choose to submit a transcript as part of your appeal, which the Appeals Board has emphasized is important for a meaningful review of the case, a licensed court reporter must prepare the transcript, and you must file it with the Court Clerk.

The Court Clerk will prepare the record for submission to the Appeals Board, and you will receive notice once it has been submitted. For deadlines related to the filing of transcripts, statements of the evidence, and briefs on appeal, see the applicable rules on the Bureau’s website at <https://www.tn.gov/wcappealsboard>. (Click the “Read Rules” button.) 4.

After the Workers’ Compensation Judge approves the record and the Court Clerk transmits it to the Appeals Board, a docketing notice will be sent to the parties. If neither party timely files an appeal

with the Appeals Board, the Court Order becomes enforceable. See Tenn. Code Ann. § 50-6-239(d)(3) (expedited/interlocutory orders) and Tenn. Code Ann. § 50-6-239(c)(7) (compensation orders).

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